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- [X] Specification, Claim(s), and Abstract (26 pages).
- [X] Formal drawings (22 sheets, Figures 1-24).
- [X] Declaration and Power of Attorney (4 pages).
- [X] Assignment of the invention to Wilson Sporting Goods Co.

- [X] Assignment Recordation Cover Sheet.
- [X] Application Data Sheet (37 CFR 1.76).

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